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STUDY GROUP HEARS ABOUT EUREKA SPRINGS CONFERENCE

By Ken Hanke

The May meeting of the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis was held on Mother's Day, May 13th at 2:00 p.m. in the Boatmen's Bank Building in Webster Groves. John Schroeder welcomed guests and members. We heard from Walter Palmer about the last Parapsychology Committee meeting (See John Schroeder's article). John Roppolo reported on the St. Charles Research Committee which meets in Bridgeton on the third Tuesday of each month.

The sharing session, in which members and guests are invited to relate their experiences, heard Mr. and Mrs. Lacoy from Idaho tell the group about some of their many experiences. They told of how an alien would walk into a human body and relate a lot of information about other star systems. Alien or not, Mrs. Lacoy said this "alien" was very entertaining. Numerous sightings are constantly reported in the Idaho wilderness. Mrs. Lacoy told of the appearance of "probes", supposedly from UFOs which would come into their home during a meditation / study group meeting. This happened several times and was witnessed by several people. During one such appearance, a "device" floated in through a patio screen door and hovered. It looked "like the bottom part of a

vacuum cleaner with an antenna on top."

During the sharing portion Alex Horvat, also our featured speaker, asked members to sign a petition to the U.S. House of Representatives to order NASA to make a detailed photographic study of the area on the planet Mars known as Sedonia during the upcoming Mars observer mission and make the resulting data available to civilian scientists and the general public. Alex invited everyone to attend the second Show-Me UFO Conference in October (See related article).

As featured speaker, Alex Horvat talked about the April UFO conference in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. The talk included audio tape excerpts from presentations by Antonio Huneus, Linda Moulton Howe, Lauren Rose and Bob Oechsler. Huneus covered certain federal regulations which in effect allows the government to "quarantine" anyone they think has had alien contact, without hearings or legal proceedings of any kind. Huneus has been making a study of recent sightings in the Soviet Union. Apparently, although we only heard about a few encounters last October, there have been numerous reports in the Soviet press.

Laura Rose is an abductee from Arlington Virginia who related some of her many frightening experiences. It is a story of frustration at knowing something was wrong, but not knowing what it was. She always had the feeling of being followed and watched.

Linda Moulton Howe presented

information on cattle mutilations. Mutilations seems to have started in 1967 with a horse named Lady. The true onslaught seems to have begun in 1974 and has continued to the present.

Bob Oechsler had some very interesting things to say about alien technology and the military. He opened his talk saying that while he would tell some of what he knows about alien technology, he now officially becomes a part of the cover-up. In exchange for some inside information about what our military is doing with alien technology, Oechsler has "been discouraged" from talking about certain topics. Oechsler had the opportunity to talk with some of the nation's top intelligence officials. He also talked about the government's public indoctrination program currently in progress.

PARAPSYCHOLOGY COMMITTEE BELIEVES "THEY LIVE"

By John E. Schroeder

The May 2nd Parapsychology Committee meeting offered 13 members a potpourri of shared information. Dr. Pacelli Brion told of four St. Louisans' pilgrimage to Medjugorje, Yugoslavia. He noted the friendliness of the citizens, the fact that the area was not overly commercialized and the variety of spiritual experiences reported at the hillside shrine.

Dr. Brion observed the cement cross, high on the hillside, flashing brightly at the time the Virgin Mary was to appear to one of the six children who originally had reported the phenomenon. He assumed that a strobe light was operating near the cross. That proved to be false. No floodlighting of any kind illuminated the cross. As in many instances of parapsychological observation, three of the party saw the cross shine. The other claimed to have seen a dull cement cross in the half-light of dusk.

None of Dr. Brion's party saw silver devotional articles turn to a golden color, but others claimed to have had

crosses and rosary beads mysteriously transformed. One of Dr. Brion's group was apparently healed of minor symptoms.

Several members discussed the implications of the appearance at Medjugorje, especially the descending host some have claimed to observe. Was the figure seen a laser hologram projected from a UFO? The committee decided that questions need not imply answers were available at this time.

Warren Bartling shared copies of national news sheets which claimed that UFO aliens have a base in Russia and one slanted eye alien was captured, another claimed an underwater base in the Pacific and a third stated that a camera designed for astronomical photography -- tested on a crowd at an air terminal -- showed 24 with energy halos around their heads. Dr. Hugo Kornheim, a Geneva Switzerland physicist, claimed that the individuals which demonstrated the doughnut glow were alien beings.

After a refreshment break, those present watched a video of the movie "They Live." It was postulated on major assumptions: aliens now live among us unobserved (except for earthlings who had special sun glasses or contact lenses); aliens have found acceptance in many positions of power including police and federal security; aliens see the earth as an outpost offering food and slave labor; and earthlings will fight hard to deny the existence of an alien force threatening life and society itself. More collaborate with the aliens to make a buck than those who try to resist the irresistible. The Parapsychology group believed that alien life existed "out there"; that some may have visited earth and mingled with citizens; but the takeover of political and police power stretched credulity.

The Parapsychology Committee will take now a summer vacation. The next meeting will be at the Schroeder's home, 4991 Miami Street, St. Louis at 7:30 p.m. on September 5. The meeting will feature a review of anecdotal material linking ESP, UFOs and aliens.

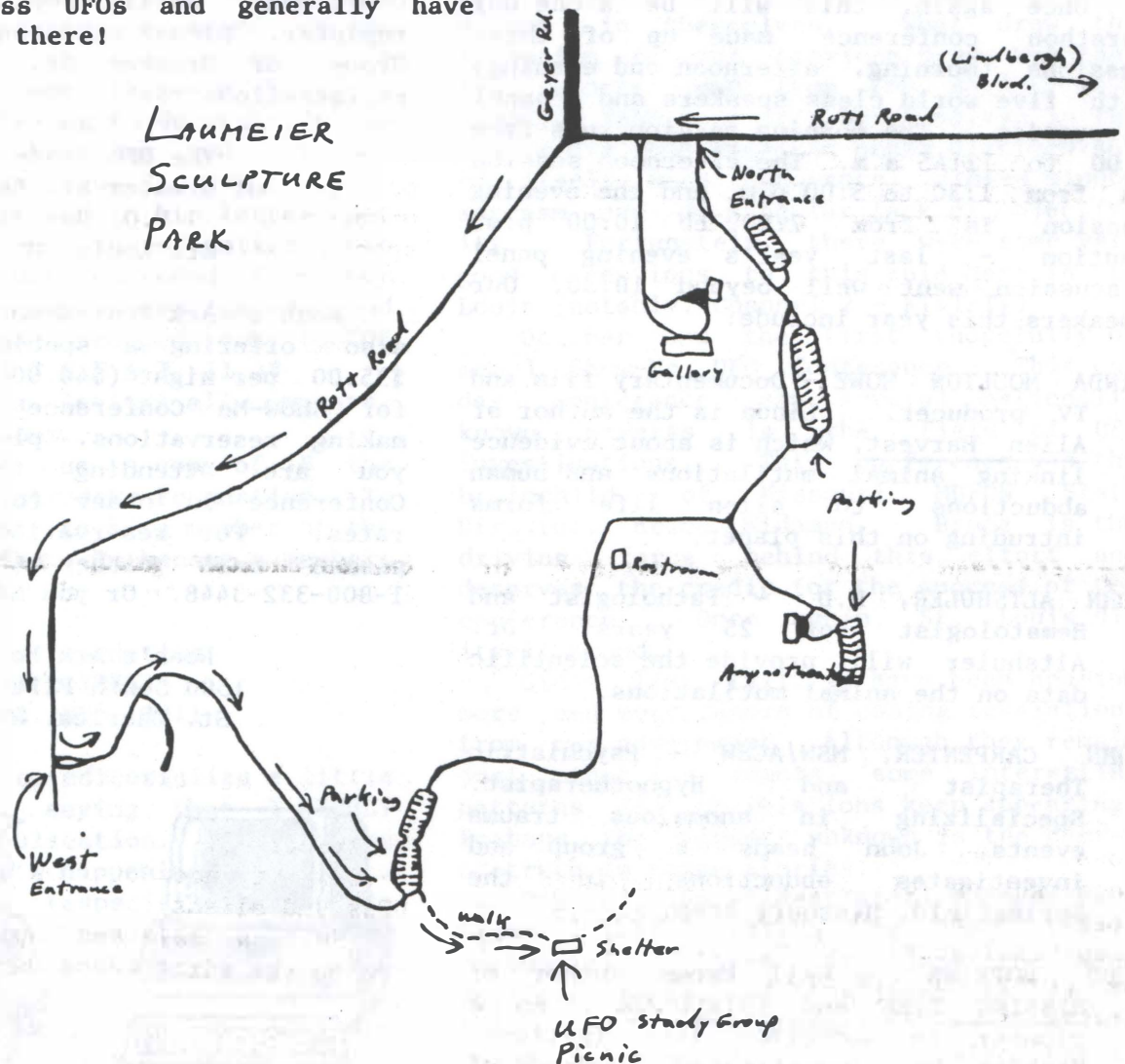
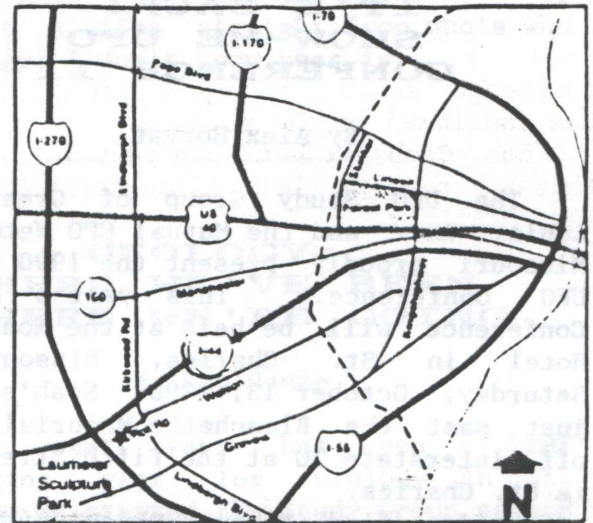
Have a safe and happy summer, and see you on the first Wednesday in September!

ANNUAL PICNIC JUNE 11

The Annual UFO Study Group Picnic will be held at the Laumeier Park Pavilion, off of Lindbergh Blvd. south of I-44 in Kirkwood, beginning at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 10. Study Group members should bring a covered dish, condiments and soft drinks or fruit juices for their family plus sharing. The Study Group will supply the hotdogs.

To get to Laumeier Sculpture Park, drive south on Lindbergh Blvd. past Interstate 44 (see figure "A") to the first stop light. This is Rott Road. Turn right on Rott Road to the WEST entrance (not the north entrance). Just follow the map (figure "B") to the picnic shelter.

This is a special event each year in which Study Group members just relax, visit, discuss UFOs and generally have fun. See you there!



IT'S BACK! SHOW-ME UFO CONFERENCE II

By Alex Horvat

The UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis, Inc. and the Mutual UFO Network of Missouri proudly present the 1990 Show-Me UFO Conference. This year's Show-Me Conference will be held at the Noah's Ark Hotel in St. Charles, Missouri on Saturday, October 13, 1990. Noah's Ark is just past the Blanchette Memorial Bridge off Interstate 70 at the Fifth Street exit in St. Charles.

Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO) are now becoming Identified Alien Craft (IAC). The question is who or what is behind them? What is their purpose? What could it mean for you and I?

Once again, this will be a one day marathon conference made up of three sessions (morning, afternoon and evening) with five world class speakers and a panel discussion. The morning session runs from 9:00 to 11:45 a.m. The afternoon session is from 1:30 to 5:00 p.m. and the evening session is from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Caution - last year's evening panel discussion went well beyond 10:30. Our speakers this year include:

LINDA MOULTON HOWE - Documentary film and TV producer. Linda is the author of Alien Harvest, which is about evidence linking animal mutilations and human abductions to alien life forms intruding on this planet.

JOHN ALTSHULER, M.D. - Pathologist and Hematologist for 25 years. Dr. Altshuler will provide the scientific data on the animal mutilations.

JOHN CARPENTER, MSW/ACSW - Psychiatric Therapist and Hypnotherapist. Specializing in anomalous trauma events, John heads a group and investigates abductions in the Springfield, Missouri area.

BUDD HOPKINS - Well known author of MISSING TIME and INTRUDERS. As a pioneer in abduction investigations, Hopkins has investigated hundreds of abductions since the late 70's. He has appeared on numerous television

and radio shows, including "Unsolved Mysteries", "The Sally Jesse Raphael Show" and the largest radio talk show in the U.S., the "Larry King Show."

DR. BRUCE MACABEE - Optical Physicist - Formerly with the U.S. Navy, Dr. Macabee will discuss his investigations and current assessment of the sightings at Gulf Breeze, Florida.

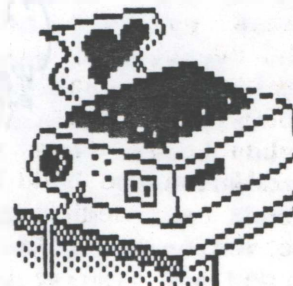
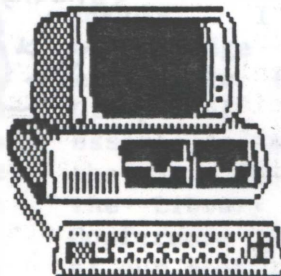
PANEL SESSION - Following the evening session, a question and answer period will allow the audience to address the speakers of the day.

Admission at the door will be the same as last year. \$10.00 per session (morning, afternoon, evening) or \$30.00 for the entire day. An early bird special price of \$25.00 is available for the conference until September 30. To register, please make checks to "UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis" and mail registrations to:

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of Greater St. Louis, Inc.
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Noah's Ark Restaurant and Motor Inn is also offering a special room rate of \$35.00 per night (\$40.00 double occupancy) for Show-Me Conference attendees. When making reservations, please mention that you are attending the Show-Me UFO Conference in order to get the special rates. For reservations at Noah's Ark, please call either (314) 946-1000 or 1-800-332-3448. Or you may write to:

Noah's Ark Motor Inn
1500 South Fifth Street
St. Charles, MO 63303



A LETTER FROM BUDD HOPKINS

By Ken Hanke

On April 17, 1990, Margaret Myers received a letter from Budd Hopkins concerning her article about Dr. Patricia Shaw's talk at the March UFO Study Group meeting. In his letter, Budd indicated that page 2, column 2 stated that Dr. Patricia Shaw said Rima Laibow, MD, Psychiatrist from New York, "is in the middle of a controversy because she espouses the theory that hypnotism is not something that should be handled by an investigator without the supervision of a clinical professional who not only has proper training in hypnosis, but also has an awareness of other syndromes and how to treat them." Budd Hopkins states in his letter, "I read your article on Dr. Shaw and TREAT, and noticed a major error. Rima Laibow is at the center of a controversy, not upon issues of hypnosis and therapy but having to do with her own competence as a clinician and her own personal ethical standards."

Budd also indicated in his letter that "because I began an investigation into these matters I was excluded from her conference, and many investigators and therapists thereupon dropped out. (CUFOS declined to support T.R.E.A.T. II.)"

The UFO Enigma invites all comments, responses and opinions.

Budd also sent us a copy of IF, the bulletin of the Intruders Foundation. To get IF, one needs to be a member of the Intruders Foundation. To become a member, send \$25.00 to:

Intruders Foundation
P.O. Box 30233
New York, NY 10011

I would like to editorialize a little at this point by saying that I HIGHLY RECOMMEND this publication. If you are interested in what's happening in the area of UFO abductions (especially if you are an abductee), this newsletter is a MUST! In addition to Budd Hopkins and Dr. David Jacobs as members of the Board of Directors, the IF Board of Advisors include Dr. Thomas Bullard, Jerome Clark, Richard Hall, Antonio Huneus, Dr. David Gotlib, Dr. Bruce Maccabee, Jean-luc

Revera and Dr. Ronald Westrum. If that isn't a list straight from who's who in UFOlogy, I don't know what is.

UFOLOGY: WHERE WE'VE BEEN WHERE WE'RE GOING

By Ken Hanke

This past year has been a VERY interesting year for ufology in St. Louis. We started the Study Group season with some interesting stories out of Russia. The story here was not the UFO events themselves, but the spectacular news flap that followed. Mind you, the UFO reports were interesting, but not unique in themselves. What drew the attention of the American press was that the reports came from the soviet news agency, TASS. In it's brief splash in the news media, the American press distinguished itself with ignorance, closed minded sarcasm and a singular lack of objectivity. Fortunately, there were some very good exceptions to this rule here in St. Louis (notably, Channel 2 - KTVI-TV).

October saw the first (hopefully of many) Show-Me UFO Conference. This one day conference saw several nationally known experts in the field of UFO investigations. This conference was the brainchild of Missouri MUFON State Director, Bruce Widaman. Bruce is the driving force behind this effort and deserves the credit for the success of the conference. Once again, St. Louis did itself proud.

Since last fall, we have been hearing more and more rumors of coming revelations from our government. Although they remain just that - rumors, some interesting patterns and correlations keep appearing. Perhaps the biggest unknown is the degree of truth in these stories.

One of the wildest stories comes from Groom Lake, Nevada by Bob Lazar. Fortunately, there are just too many verified facts and testimony to ignore this case. Disinformation is probably being injected in this case also, but if even a significant fraction of it is true, then our government bears a heavy burden

of shame indeed.

Finally, abduction cases have finally begun to receive their due attention. Abductions hit the silver screen (sort of) with Whitley Strieber's COMMUNION. More and more abduction cases keep coming in and ufology takes a new turn. Instead of simply collecting case data, we are now challenged with helping and supporting the victims of these abductions. Fortunately, thanks to the pioneering leadership of people like Budd Hopkins and the members of T.R.E.A.T., we may be going in the right direction. If we can't stop the abductions at least we can help the people involved.

This is where we've been in the past year. Where are we going in the next 12 months and beyond? I have never been in the prognostication business before and probably should not start now, but never the less, here we go.

The up coming MUFON Symposium in Pensacola promises to be as interesting and informative as any and I plan to be there and write about it next fall. This symposium should hold just as diverse of opinions as the last, but perhaps with (hopefully) somewhat less animosity.

The Show-Me UFO Conference in October will be another success, primarily because of the lineup of speakers. Abductions and cattle mutilations will continue to be one of the leading edges of UFO research. But it too will continue to evolve. If we are smart, we will continue to emphasize helping the victims. I believe we will end up with far more information in the end this way.

We will discover more and more that the abductees are being used as conduits of information from the abductors to the general public. This may very well turn into an end run around our government. I believe we will find that the aliens are now ready to begin the next phase of public information (indoctrination).

Please remember that our government (all governments for that matter) has a great incentive to keep these matters secret. Information about an alien presence for four decades will open up a nasty network of government lies and deception. We Americans don't like to be lied to. Americans don't like their government to permit (condone?) the kidnapping of it's citizens. In short, after they think about it, the American

people may get extremely pissed at their elected officials.

As knowledge of an alien presence comes out, governments throughout the world will also face the loss of something very dear to them: sovereignty and power.

We will see a public information program go into high gear, but don't expect any sudden revelations or public announcements. It just won't be that easy. Any revelations by public officials will only be to admit what the general public will already be aware of.

We will hear more and more stories about our government's relations with alien cultures and (perhaps) we will start to rethink our opinions of certain people and their stories.

If we are really skillful about sifting through the coming avalanche of information (and disinformation), we can learn a great deal about ourselves and the world around us. The physical sciences will have to rethink some of it's most cherished beliefs in such areas as human evolution, transphotonic travel and the very laws of nature. The medical community will make great strides about the human mind and how to utilize the 90% of the mind that is not utilized.

There is one big IF in these predictions. We will learn a great deal from these alien sources IF we have the skill to sift out the information from the chaff and If we are smart enough to apply the information properly.

THANK YOU KEN & HELEN

In all of my years as an accepted ufologist, I have had the privilege of knowing many famous and note worthy people. I would like to at this time acknowledge a most deserving couple for excellence in service to the UFO study Group of Greater St. Louis, and for assistance above and beyond the norm for the St. Charles UFO Research Committee, the Library Committee, the Show-Me UFO Conference and being the editor and staff of our monthly newsletter, The UFO Enigma.

I must also express enormous gratitude for Ken and Helen Hanke's constant help

with the Mutual UFO Network of Missouri. They were both very instrumental with the success and smooth running of the 1985 MUFON International Symposium held here in St. Louis. I have only the best things to say about Ken's outstanding term as Missouri MUFON's Assistant State Director.

They have always opened their home to all of us; and I feel as though they have given to us their best that they could offer. For these and other reasons, I thank you Ken and Helen Hanke for being our friends and you will both be missed.

Your friend,
Bruce Widaman

EDITOR'S NOTE: Mushy, Bruce, very mushy - but thank you very much.
Ken & Helen

AND FINALLY... THE END!

Once again we come to the last issue of The UFO Enigma for the 1989 - 1990 season. There are two essential ingredients to making The UFO Enigma possible - you the readers and the contributing writers. As editor, I just put it together. Obviously we don't have room to thank each and every reader by name, but we can thank those people who have contributed to this publication in the past year. This publication does not exist without the support and contributions of these people.

My sincerest thanks to Peter Bostrom, Shirley Coyne, Forest Crawford, Alex Horvat, Joan Laurino, Margaret Myers, Dave Rapp, Brent Raynes, John and Peggy Roppolo, John Schroeder, and Bruce Widaman who have contributed in the past year. Also, a very special thanks to my wife and assistant editor, Helen. This newsletter would not be possible without Helen's help and support.

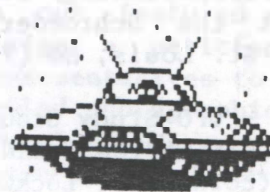
Does it seem like this list of contributors is a bit smaller this year? Well it should because there have been significantly fewer contributors. I really can't complain, because there is a core of extremely dedicated dear friends who ALWAYS come through - every month -

whenever I call.

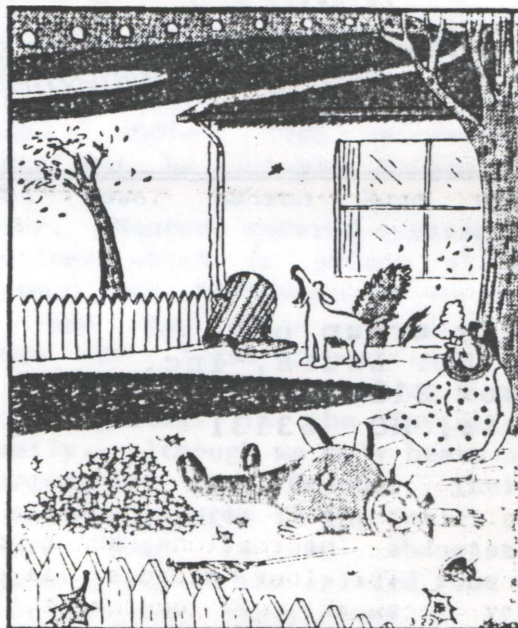
In the past four years, I have truly enjoyed my stewardship as editor of The UFO Enigma. I have tried to make it interesting, informative and enjoyable. Hopefully, you have enjoyed reading it as much as my wife, Helen, and I have enjoyed putting it together. I had not intended to resign as editor, but sometime in the next year, we expect to be leaving the St. Louis area. Although I intend to continue to participate and contribute to The UFO Enigma until we do move, I think it only fitting that someone else take the helm as editor starting in September.

Thank you all for the privilege of serving as your Editor. Please have a safe and happy summer. See you in September.

Ken Hanke, Editor



THE FAR SIDE / By Gary Larson



Hours later, when they finally came to, Hal and Ruby groggily returned to their yard work - unknowingly wearing the radio collars and ear tags of alien biologists.

Calendar

June 1990

Sun. June 10 - UFO Study Group Annual Picnic at the Laumeier Park Pavilion, off of Lindberg Blvd. near I-44 in Kirkwood, MO (11:00 a.m.)

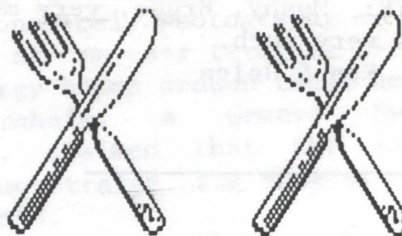
Tues. June 19, July 17 and Aug 21
St. Charles UFO Research Committee at the Bonanza Restaurant, 12190 St. Charles Rock Rd., Bridgeton MO. (7:00 p.m.)

Fri. July 6-8 - 1990 MUFON Symposium, Pensacola, Florida

Wed. Sept 5 - Parapsychology Committee Meeting at the Schroeder home, 4991 Miami St., St. Louis, MO (7:30 p.m.)

Sun. Sept 9 - UFO Study Group Meeting at the BOATMEN'S NATIONAL BANK at 75 West Lockwood (corner of Lockwood and Gore - across from the Farm and Home Savings and Loan building), Webster Grove, MO. (2:00 p.m.)

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